GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
LOK SABHA

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CHECK ON CORRUPTION IN GOVERNMENT OFFICES
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Will the Minister of PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the CBI has registered cases against 1,115 gazetted officials under the Prevention of Corruption Act, and imposed fines totaling Rs.1.85 crores last year; and

(b) if so, the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to check corruption in the Government offices?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIS PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND M OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND SPACE. (SMT.VASUNDHARA RAJE)

(a): During 2001, the CBI has registered cases against 1,115 gazetted officers. Of these, cases under the Prevention of Corruption Act were registered against 976 gazetted officers and the cases against remaining officers were registered under the various Sections of the Indian Penal Code. During last year fines totaling Rs. 1.85 crores were imposed.

(b): Several steps have been taken to check corruption in the Government Offices, such as formulation of anti-corruption policy and constant monitoring for effective implementation of the policy. To ensure greater transparency and for eliminating corruption, Information and Facilitation Counters (IFCs) have been set up in various Ministries/ Departments to provide information regarding procedures and schemes of concerned organizations. The Secretary of the concerned Department, assisted by Chief Vigilance Officer (CVO), has also been made responsible for ensuring probity and integrity in that Department.